

BASEBALL GOSSIP—SKATING—ON THE

HOT SPRINGS NEW
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QUERY: 'WHO'S THE NUT'

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By WILLIAM B. HANNA.

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HOT SPRINGS, Ark., Feb. 25.—Walter Hoyt, expected to be considerable of an asset to the Yankees this year, hit on a new wrinkle this morning for conditioning and in the application of it made his golf serve a double purpose. But, players doing a preliminary preparing here either walk and take the bath or golf and take the bath, which is walking plus swinging at the little ball.

Hoyt has become a golf enthusiast, but his scheme for developing wind and the other requirements is to run after his ball each time he swats it. In that way he passed about eight pairs on the Country Club course while negotiating one round. They all wondered who the "nut" was, not being his to the big idea, and Hoyt broke the record for speed if not for strokes.

He is getting into the desired trim, and both he and Ruth are as red as a wine-sap apple, or two wine-sap apples. Ruth played bareheaded, hence his sunburn. Mays and Ruth have become full fledged tournament players. They are competing in the Washington's Birthday tournament at the Country Club. If they didn't declare themselves in C. W. Dickey, the club professional, did so that's all right. Everybody—and there are golfers here from all over, just as there are rheumatists here from all over—seems to consider it a pleasure if not an honor to play with Ruth.

The big slugger eliminated his man this morning, but Mays fell by the wayside, 3 up and 2 to go, and was as sore about it as if he had lost a ball game—sore, in fact, for the coming day. He was cramping, which he doesn't do when beaten on the diamond. Ruth tore off a 90 while eliminating W. G. Doty of Greensburg, Pa. The score board said he won by 1 up, but that was poetic license, for he won by 6 or 7 up.

Walking is Harper's favorite form of exercise, and he goes at it alone often, for he doesn't play golf. He and a crowd of Brooklyn players walked to the ball park and back this afternoon and Harper ran a couple of miles. As he put it, "I worked a fool and am a good deal smaller around the waist than when I came here."

The Brooklyn delegation is getting to be almost as large as at a regular training camp. Leon Cadore, Otto Miller and Clarence Mitchell arrived this morning and Ed Konechey would have done so if he hadn't missed a train. His wife reached her destination all right, but the big first baseman went astray somewhere en route. He was expected on the next train.

There will be seven Brooklyn players here with Konechey. They will do a little work with the baseball to-morrow and Harper will join in with them. The Yankees players have some baseballs with them, but haven't used them yet.

AKRON OUT OF LEAGUE.

AKRON, Ohio, Feb. 25.—Akron will not be represented in the International Baseball League during the coming season. A syndicate of business men who had taken an option on the purchase of the franchise to-day announced that they would not complete the deal.

Franchise will be sold to the highest bidder, club officials said to-night.

Montreal and Newark, N. J., business men are said to have made bids to take over the club.

USE HEADLOCK, OR
RETIRE, SAYS LEWIS

Refers to 'Kindergarten'
Wrestlers and 'Parlor Rules.'

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PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 25.—"Certain I'll defend my title against any wrestler in the world," declared Ed (Strangler) Lewis, heavyweight champion, here to-night.

"But please understand this," Lewis said, "I'll use the headlock in all title bouts. Jack Curley nor any one else could dictate an edict and that that is the only legitimate wrestling hold, and simply because I've specialized in it and made it an effective weapon as well as a defensive shield, they are trying to ban it."

No one ever protested Lewis's too hold or Stecher's scissors, and Stecher's scissors is far worse than my headlock as a punisher.

"I throw men with the headlock. Gotch simply tortured them until they quit with the too hold."

"No, sir. I'll wrestle with the headlock retire and take the championship with me, and those kindergarten wrestlers can play their game according to parlor rules if they care to."

200 MILE DOG DERBY.

THE PAR MAN, Feb. 25.—Several dog teams and drivers, entrants in the annual Hudson Bay 200 mile dog derby which will start here Tuesday, arrived to-day, and "trailbirds" started their usual round of possibility gossip. Among the arrivals were Walter Goynes of St. Paul, Minn., winner of last year's derby; Sam Cranteau, an Alaskan with an imposing team of white huskies, and Albert Campbell, G. R. Vancor and C. B. Morgan, other well known drivers of racing dogs.

Lon Sopkala, a famous Alaskan "musher," said to have a team of seventeen mainstays noted for speed and endurance, was reported on his way to participate in the derby.

HELMS WINS 16 CHESS GAMES.

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BALTIMORE, Feb. 25.—Pitted against a picked team of twenty members of the Baltimore Chess Association to-day H. Helms of New York, former State champion and editor of the Baltimore Chess Bulletin, made a score of sixteen wins and four losses. Those who won against the expert were Dr. Harry Adler, William Calvin, Charles Wolfe and Levi Adler.

The club is planning to bring Samuel Rasmussen, the Polish prodigy, here early in April.

POST OFFICE CLERKS' GAMES.

Over 200 entries have already been received for the Memorial games of the New York Post Office Clerks, to be held in the State-ninth Regiment Armory on Saturday evening, March 12. Seven A. T. events, including a muley relay race handicap, will be carried. The feature race will be the 800 yard Post Office Clerks' Memorial, scratch, invitation. Murray, Princeton University, and Jimmy O'Brien, Loughlin Lyceum, have been invited.

WINNERS in the race for success get high quality help from The Herald's Want ad section.

Yankee Rookies Leaving for the South



Left to right: Alex. Ferguson, John L. Clifford, Tom H. Godfrey, Edwin C. Grassieck and Edgar M. La Paré.

VANGUARD OF YANKS
STARTS FOR CAMP

Only Five Rookies Leave Here,
but Others Will Join Party
En Route.

The vanguard of the local baseball players started for training camp yesterday afternoon when five of the Yankees departed for Shreveport, La., over the Pennsylvania Railroad at 4:30. The quietest were the rookies, but the party will be increased as the train rolls southward. John Clifford, Alex. Ferguson, Tom Godfrey, right-handed pitcher; Ed Le Paré, a southpaw, and Ed Grassieck, a young catcher, were the five to entrain here.

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The youngsters had a workout at League Park, throwing the medicine ball and running a few laps around the diamond for "wind" purposes. In addition to these there were Ross (Pop) Young and Frank Snyder, both of whom spent the winter here. This afternoon Scout Kinsella put the advance party through another light workout. Young and Snyder also donned a costume in order to wear off some of the winter lard.

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DELAND, Fla., Feb. 25.—Pat O'Hara of the Richmond Country Club and Fred McLeod of the Columbia Country Club of Washington, D. C., the two little star golf professionals who have been showing the way in the most of the Florida golf plays this season, are leading a record held here in the stroke for a record purse. O'Hara and McLeod finished the day with a score of 148 each. Trailing right behind the two midwesters are the other two stars, Jim Basing and the Richmond Country Club star, Fred McLeod, who played the day with a score of 149 strokes.

Wilfred Reid of Wilmington is the next in line, and his brother, Arthur, of the Ardley Club of New York, is following close behind him in a tie with Tom Kerrigan of Swanoy and R. L. Miner of this town.

O'Hara, who formerly held the Irish open championship, is showing himself thus far to be the steadiest player of the lot. The Richmond Country Club star, went around in the morning in 74, holding to the main line all the way. While there was nothing very brilliant or spectacular about his game, neither was there anything erratic. He played the same kind of steady, consistent game in the afternoon to score another 74.

McLeod took a 75 in the morning, missing several putts. In the afternoon, however, the Washingtonian, who is stationed at St. Augustine during the winter months, corralled a 73.

Mike Brady had the best record of the day, a 71 in the morning, but in the afternoon the Detroit player was very wild in his short game and was constantly in trouble, taking 78.

Burnes did much the same. In the morning he played beautifully, put to earn a 72, but in the afternoon he took a 77.

The scores:

Round.	T. 1.
Pat O'Hara, Richmond Country.....	74 148
Fred McLeod, Columbia.....	75 149
Jim Basing, Richmond Country.....	76 150
Mike Brady, Detroit.....	77 151
Tom Kerrigan, Swanoy.....	78 152
Arthur Reid, Ardley.....	79 153
R. L. Miner, this town.....	80 154
Wilfred Reid, Wilmington.....	81 155
Tom Kerrigan, Swanoy.....	82 156
Arthur Reid, Ardley.....	83 157
Mike Brady, Detroit.....	84 158
Jim Basing, Richmond Country.....	85 159
Fred McLeod, Columbia.....	86 160
Pat O'Hara, Richmond Country.....	87 161
Mike Brady, Detroit.....	88 162
Jim Basing, Richmond Country.....	89 163
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FINALISTS ALL SQUARE.

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ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Feb. 25.—The finals of the fifth annual spring tournament on the St. Augustine links to-day resulted in a tie between R. Graham Biglow of New York and William A. Knight of St. Augustine.

In the second division A. L. Levy of New York won from F. E. Leary of Chicago, 4 and 2, while in the first division W. H. Boshart of Toledo, Ohio, won from J. J. Adler of Pittsburgh, 3 and 4.

COLUMBIA IN FIRST SHOOT.

The Columbia rifle team scored a total of 409 out of a possible 500 in its first of a series of ten matches conducted under the National Rifle Association on Morriside Heights yesterday. All shooting was done from a standing position and this accounts for some measure for the comparatively poor showing made over the results obtained last year. Larry London with 93 points out of a possible 100 was the individual high score man.

The schedule of the team for the coming season was announced yesterday, and according to its provisions the Blue and White will meet Princeton to-day in a dual match, each team shooting on its own range. The list of opponents for the rest of the year follows: March 5, Carnegie Tech; 12, Harvard; 19, regular National Rifle Association match; 24, Georgetown and Drexel; April 2, National Rifle Association match; 5, Cornell; 16, M. I. T.; 23, Dartmouth.

Scores made yesterday follow: Condon, 93; Bennett, 85; Schwolter, 84; Guedalia, 73; Schoonhoven, 73; total, 409.

MISS HICKMAN WINS WITH RIFLE.

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PRINCETON, N. C., Feb. 25.—Miss Jane Hickman of Philadelphia led the field in a women's rifle shooting event at the Princeton Gun Club to-day with a target of 130 out of a possible 150. Mrs. R. C. Blanke of Princeton, Miss Virginia Hoot, daughter of New York followed at 124 and 121 respectively.

AMERICAN DEFEATS
TOLLEY, 8 AND 7

J. Douglas Grant Takes British
Golf Champion's Measure
at Mid-Surrey.

By KERR N. PETRIE.

Since the year began Cyril J. H. Tolley, the British amateur golf champion, has been experiencing his full share of the knocks, getting more of these, in fact, than a big title holder has any right to expect. It remained for an American, however, to administer the sharpest defeat of all to the Scotman, J. Douglas Grant, a Californian, who has resided for many years in England, taking the conqueror of Robert Gardner into camp in a match at Mid-Surrey by the markedly one-sided margin of 8 up and 7 to play.

Although not a familiar figure in American golf, Grant will be remembered by many golfers in the East, especially by those who were in the habit of attending the Atlantic City tournaments the matter of ten years ago. In the final of one of these semi-annual events, it may be recalled, Grant lost to his fellow collegian and fellow Californian Bobby Hayne after a match that was notable chiefly for the Alphonse and Gastonlike tactics of the players. But for that, as a matter of fact, Grant probably would have won, for at a crucial stage of the game he conceded a putt that looked to be nearer a yard than a foot, and then had his opponent sink a few good ones on him toward the close of the round.

But Grant to-day is a very much better golfer than he was when he showed at Atlantic City. He played the first eleven holes at Mid-Surrey in 41, something that even the best of the professionals do not accomplish as a general rule. At the conclusion of the match it was announced that only once before had such a feat been accomplished, but it now transpires that the record for that particular course is in reality 40.

Of Grant, Harold H. Hilton, the former British and American champion, says: "At his best he is a brilliant golfer, and, moreover, he is an exceedingly pleasing one to watch. His swing is free but nevertheless controlled, and invariably the essence of truth. On his day, and he has quite a number of these days, he is a veritable fellow in combat, and one feels rather sorry for the Oxford captain in meeting him on one of these special red letter days."

Holderness Now Favorite.

Those repeated defeats, needless to say, have left the British golfing public regarding a much battered idol. Last year Tolley was regarded as one of the giants of the game, but now others are scrambling for his place in the sun, and even from the ranks of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society there has arisen one who is considered to have a much better chance the coming year. This is E. W. E. Holderness, who played on the Oxford team from 1910 to 1912, including the year in which he was champion of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society. Incidentally, and in the final of that event, played recently he showed his worth by defeating Tolley. It is said of this match that while the winner of it, Holderness was wonderful, and that he will take a lot of stopping at Hoylake, no matter what invaders he has to face.

Another match which found the British champion on the losing side was that between Oxford and Royal Wimbledon. In this event Tolley failed to show in front either in the singles or in the foursomes. F. S. Bond was the player who beat him in the twosomes. This game, it would appear, was remarkable chiefly for the fact that Tolley, who is a left-handed player, held enough longer ones to leave him with a lead of 5 up at the ninth, but coming back it was Tolley's turn, the champion running the ball down from all parts of the green and thereby cutting down his opponent's lead by three holes. At the seventeenth Tolley holed a twenty-five footer, but Bond also reached the green, getting a halcyon half took the match by 2 and 1.

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